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Al-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc.
see **World Service Organization**

**American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults**
18440 Oxnard Street
Tarzana, CA 91356
(818) 343-2022

*Hot Line to Deaf-Blind*, a free braille weekly news magazine for individuals who are deaf and blind. Kenneth Jernigan Library for Blind Children lending library for print-braille and braille books for children through the high school level.

Price: Free loan of books

**American Association of the Deaf-Blind**
814 Thayer Avenue, Third Floor
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(301) 588-6545 TDD

*The Deaf-Blind American*, a quarterly magazine with information on new communication technology, education, and mobility, and human interest stories.

Price: $15/year

**American Council of the Blind**
1155 15th Street NW, Suite 720
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 467-5081
800-424-8666 (Monday-Friday 3-5:30 P.M.)
(202) 467-5085 fax
ncrabb@access.digex.net e-mail
http://www.acb.org website

*Braille Forum*, 11 issues/year; covers legislation, human-interest stories, and activities of the American Council of the Blind. Braille

publications published by special-interest affiliates: *BRL Memorandum* from the Braille Revival League, *Log of the Bridgetender* from Friends-in-Art, and *The Blind Teacher* from National Association of Blind Teachers; contact the national office for additional information.

Price: *Forum* free to persons in U.S., $25 for organizations and foreign subscriptions

**American Printing House for the Blind, Inc.**
P.O. Box 6085
Louisville, KY 40206-0085
(502) 895-2405
800-223-1839
(502) 899-2274 fax
info@aph.org e-mail

Elementary and high school textbooks; braille codes and teaching manuals; books on business, computer science, foreign language, home economics, and language arts; dictionaries; and some general-interest titles for children and adults. *Current Events*, *Current Science*, *Know Your World EXTRA!*, and *My Weekly Reader* published September to May; *Reader's Digest* monthly. Catalog available free in print and on 3½-inch IBM-formatted floppy disk.

Price: Various

**Associated Services for the Blind**
919 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
(215) 627-0600
(215) 922-0692 fax

Cookbooks, computer manuals, and textbooks.

Price: Various

**Beach Cities Braille Guild, Inc.**
P.O. Box 712
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
(714) 536-9666

Textbooks, recreational reading, and children's and adult books. Catalog in preparation.

Price: Partially subsidized for individuals who are blind; at cost for schools and agencies

**Blindskills**
P.O. Box 5181
Salem, OR 97304-0181
(503) 581-4224
800-860-4224
(503) 581-0178 fax
blindskl@teleport.com e-mail

*Dialogue*, a quarterly general-interest magazine for people who are visually impaired.

Price: $28/year; free to deaf-blind readers

**Bower Hill Braillists Foundation**
70 Moffett Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15243
(412) 343-9177

Fiction, nonfiction, and biography.

Price: Free loan

**Braille Institute Press**
741 North Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90029
(213) 663-1111, ext. 342
800-252-9486
(213) 663-0867 fax

General-interest fiction and nonfiction, including books on computers, cooking, and social studies; mysteries; atlas maps; *Braille Mirror*, a monthly news magazine; *Expectations*, an annual anthology of stories and poems for grades 3 through 6; and a *Braille Transcribers' Dictionary*. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Various

**Braille International, Inc.**
**William A. Thomas Braille Bookstore**
3290 Southeast Slater Street
Stuart, FL 34997
(407) 286-8366
800-336-3142
(407) 286-8909 fax

Fiction and nonfiction for children and adults. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Various

**Clovernook Center Opportunities for the Blind**
7000 Hamilton Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45231-5297
(513) 522-3860
(513) 728-3950 fax
clovernook@aol.com e-mail

*Tactic*, a quarterly magazine on computer technology for persons with visual impairment.

Price: $25/year

***Good Cheer Magazine***
c/o Rod Macdonald, Editor
805 Easley Street
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4535
71117.301@compuserve.com e-mail

A quarterly magazine that has news items of interest to persons who are deaf-blind.

Price: Voluntary contribution

**Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc.**
P.O. Box 151200
San Rafael, CA 94915-1200
(415) 499-4000
(415) 499-4035 fax

*Guide Dog News*, a quarterly newsletter that presents information about the school and the use of dog guides.

Price: Free

**Guild for the Blind**
180 North Michigan Avenue, #1700
Chicago, IL 60601-7463
(312) 236-8569
(312) 236-8128 fax

Books on cooking and hobbies and children's books. *Reflections*, a quarterly magazine with articles taken from various spiritual sources.

Price: books, $5.50-$23; *Reflections*, $20/year

**G.W. Micro, Inc.**
725 Airport North Office Park
Fort Wayne, IN 46825
(219) 489-3671
(219) 489-2608 fax
vv@gwmicro.com e-mail

*Voice of Vision*, a quarterly that has product reviews and new product announcements.

Price: $10/year

**Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults**
111 Middle Neck Road
Sands Point, NY 11050
(516) 944-8900
(516) 944-8637 TDD
(516) 944-7302 fax

*Nat-Cent News*, 3 issues per year, a magazine that discusses the activities of the Center. *News from Advocates for Deaf-Blind*, included in membership or by subscription; contact the Center for more information.

Price: *Nat-Cent*, free to readers who are deaf-blind and to libraries, $10 for others

**Horizons for the Blind**
16A Meadowdale Center
Carpentersville, IL 60110
(847) 836-1400 voice/TDD
(847) 836-1443 fax

Books on crafts and recipes. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Various

**Johanna Bureau for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Inc.**
8 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 300
Chicago, IL 60603
(312) 332-6076
(312) 332-0780 fax

Textbooks and general materials. Catalog available in print.

Price: $.15/braille page, $3 minimum

***Journal of Visual Impairment and Blindness***
Editorial office:
American Foundation for the Blind
11 Penn Plaza, Suite 300
New York, NY 10001
Subscription orders to:
Boyd Printing Company, Inc.
49 Sheridan Avenue
Albany, NY 12210
(212) 502-7648 or 7649
800-877-2693

A two-part publication published in alternating months consisting of a research journal on visual impairment and blindness and a news service.

Price: $59 individuals; $87 institutions

**The Lighthouse, Inc.**
Braille Services Department
111 East 59th Street
New York, NY 10022
(212) 821-9689

Books on cooking, hobbies, and consumer information. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: $2.25-$18

**Louis Braille Center**
11050 Fifth Avenue NE, #204
Seattle, WA 98125-6151
(206) 368-8288 voice and fax
lbcbrl@aol.com e-mail

General literature, poetry, children's books, books about braille, and books by Helen Keller. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Various

**Maryland Technology Assistance Program (MD TAP)**
One Market Center, Box 10
300 West Lexington Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
800-832-4827
(410) 554-9237 fax
mdtap@clark.net e-mail
http://www.clark.net/pub/mdtap website

*Tapping Technology*, a quarterly that has information on products, services, and resources to assist individuals with disabilities.

Price: Free

**Massachusetts Association for the Blind**
200 Ivy Street
Brookline, MA 02146
(617) 738-5110
800-682-9200 in Massachusetts
(617) 738-1247 fax
(617) 731-6444 TDD

Fiction, cookbooks, and children's books. Catalog available in print.

Price: $5-$35

***Matilda Ziegler Magazine for the Blind***
80 Eighth Avenue, Room 1304
New York, NY 10011
(212) 242-0263
zieglermag.org e-mail
http://www.zieglermag.org website

A monthly magazine with general-interest articles selected from a broad range of periodicals.

Price: Free

**Metrolina Association for the Blind**
704 Louise Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28204-2128
(704) 372-3870
800-926-5466, ext. 123 for orders
(704) 372-3872 fax
braille@charlotte.com.infi.net e-mail

Textbooks. Catalog available in print.

Price: Various

**Michigan Braille Transcribing Service**
4000 Cooper Street
Jackson, MI 49201
(517) 780-6637

Textbooks for elementary and high school level, light reading, and short stories. Catalog available in print.

Price: $.27-$.30/braille page plus binding; inquire about business services and prices

**National Braille Association**
Braille Materials Production Center
Three Townline Circle
Rochester, NY 14623-2513
(716) 427-8260
(716) 427-0263 fax

A depository of braille textbooks; general-interest and vocational materials; music and books on music theory; and technical, scientific, and mathematical tables. Catalogs available in print and on audio cassette. *NBA Bulletin* available in braille to subscribers who are visually impaired and members of NBA.

Price: $.15/page for individuals and $.45/page for others

**National Braille Press, Inc.**
88 St. Stephen Street
Boston, MA 02115
(617) 266-6160
800-548-7323
(617) 437-0456 fax

General-interest, nonfiction, and computer books; *Syndicated Columnists Weekly*; and *Our Special*, a bimonthly women's magazine. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Various

**National Council on Disability**
1331 F Street NW, Suite 1050
Washington, DC 20004-1107
(202) 272-2004
(202) 272-2022 fax
(202) 272-2074 TDD

*NCD Bulletin*, a monthly with news and issues dealing with independence and empowerment of persons with disabilities.

Price: Free

**National Federation of the Blind**
1800 Johnson Street
Baltimore, MD 21230
(410) 659-9314
(410) 685-5653
http://www.nfb.org website

*Braille Monitor*, a monthly that reports on current legislative issues and social concerns affecting people who are blind. Also available: banquet speeches, presidential reports, NFB resolutions, reprints from *Braille Monitor* on issues related to blindness and visual impairment, and books to learn braille.

Price: Various

**National Federation of the Blind**
**Writers Division**
2704 Beach Drive
Merrick, NY 11566
(516) 868-8718
(516) 868-9076 fax

*Slate & Style*, a quarterly with poetry, short stories, articles, and resources of interest to writers who are blind. The one-time publication *The Summit*, an anthology of stories and poetry.

Price: *Slate*, $10/year; *Summit*, $15

**National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped**
**Library of Congress**
Washington, DC 20542
(202) 707-5100
(202) 707-0744 TDD
(202) 707-0712 fax
nls@loc.gov e-mail
http://www.loc.gov/nls website

A variety of fiction and nonfiction books and magazines for adults and children, including scriptures, foreign-language literature, and music. Catalogs available in print, recorded, and braille formats.

Price: Free loan to eligible readers

**National Retinitis Pigmentosa Foundation, Inc.**
**d/b/a The Foundation Fighting Blindness**
Executive Plaza I, Suite 800
11350 McCormick Road
Hunt Valley, MD 21031-1014
(410) 785-1414
(410) 785-9687 TDD
800-683-5555
800-683-5551 TDD
(410) 771-9470 fax

*Fighting Blindness News*, 3 issues per year, a publication that has information on retinitis pigmentosa and allied retinal degenerative diseases.

Price: Free

**No Limits**
2936 West Fitch
Chicago, IL 60645
(312) 465-8569
(312) 465-3857 fax

*International Low-Fat Cookbook* and *Consumer's Guide to PASS (Plan for Achieving Self Support).*

Price: *Cookbook*, $4.95; *PASS*, $3.95

**Seedlings Braille Books for Children**
P.O. Box 51924
Livonia, MI 48151-5924
(313) 427-8552 telephone and fax
800-777-8552
seedlink@aol.com e-mail

Books for children in print-braille and grade 2 braille, and a few books in grade 1 braille. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Various

**The Seeing Eye, Inc.**
P.O. Box 375
Morristown, NJ 07960
(201) 539-4425
(201) 539-0922 fax
http://www.seeingeye.edu website
http://www.seeingeye.org website

*The Seeing Eye Guide*, a quarterly newsletter that has features on people who use The Seeing Eye program, a dog-guide training school.

Price: Free

**Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute**
2232 Webster Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
(415) 561-1619
(415) 561-1610 fax
rerc@skivs.ski.org e-mail
http://www.ski.org/rerc website

*Smith-Kettlewell Technical File*, a biannual that presents components for electronics technicians who are blind and do-it-yourself projects for electronics hobbyists. *Compendium of Technology for Blind and Visually Impaired Persons*, a one-time publication.

Price: *Smith-Kettlewell*, $18/volume of four issues; *Compendium*, free while supply lasts

**Texas Association of Retinitis Pigmentosa, Inc.**
P.O. Box 8388
Corpus Christi, TX 78468-8388
(512) 852-8515
(512) 852-8515 fax
dstiefel@mail.interconnect.net e-mail

*RP Messenger*, a biannual that has articles of interest to individuals with retinitis pigmentosa and related retinal diseases.

Price: Contribution

**United States Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board**
1331 F Street NW, Suite 1000
Washington, DC 20004-1111
(202) 272-5434
800-872-2253 technical assistance
(202) 272-5449 TDD
(202) 272-5447 fax

Publications on architectural, communication, and transportation access; some available in alternative formats. Publications checklist available in print.

Price: Single copies free

***Usher around the World:***
***Usher Syndrome News and Views***
c/o Kathie Anderson
P.O. Box 17318
Minneapolis, MN 55417
(612) 729-4630

A quarterly newsletter by and for people with Usher Syndrome and their families.

Price: $16/year U.S., $19/year Canada, $22/year other locations

**VISION Foundation, Inc.**
818 Mt. Auburn Street
Watertown, MA 02172
(617) 926-4232
(617) 926-0289 TDD
800-852-3029 in Massachusetts
(617) 926-1412 fax

*Light Lean Low-fat Recipes*, *Seafood Recipes*, and brochures on Massachusetts agencies and services. Resource list available in print and on cassette.

Price: Free

**Volunteers for the Visually Handicapped**
8720 Georgia Avenue, Suite 210
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4574
(301) 589-0894
(301) 589-7281 fax

Cookbooks, craft books, and children's books.

Price: Various

**WGBH/DVS**
125 Western Avenue
Boston, MA 02134
(617) 492-2777, ext. 3490
800-333-1203
(617) 783-8668 fax
dvs@wgbh.org e-mail
http://www.boston.com/wgbh/dvs website

*DVS Guide*, a quarterly program schedule of select public television series, cable programming, and home video programs with audio description for audiences who are blind and visually impaired.

Price: Free

**World Service Organization**
**Al-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc.**
1600 Corporate Landing Parkway
Virginia Beach, VA 23454-5617
(757) 563-1600
(757) 563-1655 fax

Al-Anon pamphlets, books, and magazines.

Price: Various

## II. Religious Sources

**American Baptist Churches, U.S.A.**
P.O. Box 851
Valley Forge, PA 19482-0851
(610) 768-2100
800-458-3766
(610) 768-2107 fax

*The Secret Place*, a quarterly with devotions for daily worship.

Price: $16/year

**American Bible Society**
1865 Broadway
New York, NY 10023
(212) 408-1200
800-322-4253
(212) 408-8765 fax

Psalms and complete Bible in King James version; Psalms and New Testament in New Revised Standard version. Catalog available in print.

Price: $45-$810

**The Auditorium**
**Services to the Blind**
1001 West Walnut
P.O. Box 1059
Independence, MO 64051
(816) 833-1000, ext. 1460
(816) 521-3095 or 3043 fax

Lending library of inspirational stories and church-centered texts of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Price: Free loan

**Bibles for the Blind and Visually Handicapped International**
3228 East Rosehill Avenue
Terre Haute, IN 47805-1297
(812) 466-4899
http://braille.indiana.net/braille website

The Bible and evangelical tracts.

Price: Free to those with financial need; at cost for others

**Braille Bible Foundation**
P.O. Box 948307
Maitland, FL 32794-8307
(407) 834-3628
800-766-9080
(407) 834-9953 fax

Old and New Testaments in King James version and a concordance.

Price: Free

**Braille Circulating Library**
2700 Stuart Avenue
Richmond, VA 23220
(804) 359-3743
(804) 359-4777 fax

A circulating library of religious materials including Bible studies and commentaries, devotional reading, fiction, music, prophecy, and sermons. Catalog available in print.

Price: Free loan for eight weeks, voluntary offerings

**Bridge Christian Outreach, Inc.**
7205 Church Park Drive
Fort Worth, TX 76133-6808
(817) 292-7562
(817) 292-7918 fax

Bible commentaries and booklets on Christian topics available on loan.

Price: $5 membership fee

**Christian Education for the Blind, Inc.**
P.O. Box 6399
Fort Worth, TX 76115
(817) 923-0603
(817) 294-7639
(817) 292-7918 fax

*Evangel Hymnbook.*

Price: words only $15, words and music $30

**Christian Mission for the Blind**
5354 Boy Scout Road
Indianapolis, IN 46226
(317) 549-2386

Old and New Testaments in King James version. New Testament only in Today's English and New International versions.

Price: At cost

**Christian Record Services, Inc.**
4444 South 52nd Street, Box 6097
Lincoln, NE 68506
(402) 488-0981
(402) 488-1902 TDD
(402) 488-7582 fax

Free magazines: *Children's Friend, Christian Record, The Student,* and *Young and Alive.* Lending library for children and adults, including such topics as Bible stories, biographies, and devotional and inspirational material.

Price: Free loan for thirty days

**Christian Science Publishing Society**
Subscriber Services
P.O. Box 11369
Des Moines, IA 50340-1369
800-456-4851

Two magazines: *Christian Science Quarterly Bible Lessons* and *The Herald of Christian Science.*

Price: *Bible Lessons*, $2.50/year; *The Herald*, $1/year

**Christian Services for the Blind**
1124 Fair Oaks Avenue
P.O. Box 26
South Pasadena, CA 91031-0026
(818) 799-3935
(818) 403-9460 fax

Two free magazines: *Bartimaeus Review* and *Decision.* Circulating library of Christian books. Catalog available.

Price: $25/year suggested support donation

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints**
Salt Lake City Distribution Center
1999 West 1700 South
Salt Lake City, UT 84104-4233
(801) 240-5274
800-537-5950
(801) 240-3685 fax

*Articles of Faith, Book of Mormon*, study guides, and other church literature. The children's magazines *The Friend* for ages 12 and under and *The New Era* for ages 12-20 can be ordered from Special Curriculum, 50 East North Temple Street, 24th Floor, Salt Lake City, UT 84150, telephone: (801) 240-2477, 800-453-3860, ext. 2477.

Price: Various

**ELCA Braille and Tape Services**
Augsburg Fortress
426 South Fifth Street
Box 1209
Minneapolis, MN 55440
(612) 330-3502
800-426-0115, ext. 502
800-722-7766 fax

Materials related to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Price: Free

**Eyes of Faith Ministries**
2105 Briarwood Drive
Plano, TX 75074
(214) 578-9413

Christian school textbooks provided through a round-robin sharing system and general-reading Christian books for children.

Price: Voluntary donation requested

**Forward Movement Publications**
412 Sycamore Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202-4195
(513) 721-6659
800-543-1813
(513) 421-0315 fax
forward.movement@ecunet.org e-mail

*Book of Common Prayer* and *Forward Day by Day*, a quarterly with daily devotions.

Price: *Common Prayer*, $100 for 13 volumes or $10/volume; cost may be subsidized. *Forward* free upon request to any person who is blind.

**General Council of the Assemblies of God**
**Whitney Library for the Blind**
1445 Boonville Avenue
Springfield, MO 65802-1894
(417) 862-2781, ext. 1240
800-641-4310 orders only
(417) 863-7276 fax
blind@ag.org e-mail

Two free magazines: *Adult Student* and *Pentecostal Digest.* Lending library of pentecostal materials.

Price: Free loan for 60 days.

**Gospel Association for the Blind**
1085 Southwest 15th Avenue, E1
Delray Beach, FL 33444
(407) 274-9700
(407) 274-4288 fax

Circulating library of general-interest biography, fiction, and current issues; Christian materials including the Bible, Bible study, hymnals, and a concordance. Catalog available in print and on cassette.

Price: Free loan for 30 days

**Gospel Light Foundation for the Blind**
485 Tewksbury Lane NE
Palm Bay, FL 32907
(407) 724-9036

Two Bible correspondence courses: *Right with God* and *Doctrines of Grace.*

Price: Free

***Guideposts***
39 Seminary Hill Road
Carmel, NY 10512
800-431-2344
(914) 228-2115 fax
http://www.guideposts.org website

A monthly inspirational interfaith magazine.

Price: $13.97/year

**International Christian Braille Mission**
600 Kanawha Boulevard West
Charleston, WV 25302-1999
(304) 343-6157

*We Would See Jesus*, a monthly magazine. New Testament English for the Deaf in grade 1 and grade 2 braille, two hymnals, and lending library of Christian literature. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: *We Would See Jesus*, free; New Testament, free with donations accepted; library, free loan for 30 days

**Jewish Braille Institute of America**
110 East 30th Street
New York, NY 10016
(212) 889-2525
800-433-1531
(212) 689-3692 fax

Elementary- and secondary-level religious school textbooks; books on Judaism and of Jewish interest in Hebrew and English; and *Jewish Braille Review*, a free magazine.

Price: Free loan to eligible readers

**Jewish Heritage for the Blind**
1655 East 24th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11229
(718) 338-4999
(718) 338-0653 fax

Publications on Jewish laws, customs, and holidays for children and adults. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Free

**John Milton Society for the Blind**
475 Riverside Drive, Room 455
New York, NY 10115
(212) 870-3335
(212) 870-3229 fax

Nondenominational religious materials including *Annual Bible Studies* and the magazines *John Milton Adult Lessons* and *Discovery* for youth. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Free

**Lubavitch Shluchim Conferences on the Moshiach Campaign Committee for the Blind**
383 Kingston Avenue, Suite 364
Brooklyn, NY 11213
(718) 953-6168
info@chabad.org e-mail

*Living with Moshiach*, a weekly digest on the Torah portion, and other publications on Lubavitch philosophy.

Price: Free to individuals who are blind, $18/year to others

**Lutheran Braille Evangelism Association**
1740 Eugene Street
White Bear Lake, MN 55110-3312
(612) 426-0469

The Bible in Revised Standard and International Children's versions; *Luther's Small Catechism*; *Daily Light for the Daily Path*, an everyday devotional; and *Tract Messenger*, a free monthly inspirational magazine.

Price: Free to individuals who are blind, at cost to others

**Lutheran Braille Workers, Inc.**
Box 5000
Yucaipa, CA 92399
(909) 795-8977
(909) 795-8970 fax
LBWBraille@aol.com e-mail

Books of the Bible in the New International version and the International Children's Bible, New Century version. Christian books for adults and children. Correspondence courses on *Fundamentals of the Christian Faith*, *Life of Christ*, and *Life of Paul*.

Price: Free

**Lutheran Library for the Blind**
1333 South Kirkwood Road
St. Louis, MO 63122
(314) 965-9000
800-433-3954
(314) 965-0959 fax

Christian and Lutheran materials including Bible study, biography, and devotionals. Free magazines: *Christian Life; Interaction*, for teachers of religion; *Happy Times*, for ages 6-8; *Lutheran Digest*; *Lutheran Messenger*; *Lutheran Witness*; *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*; *My Devotions*, for ages 8-13; *My Pleasure*, for ages 9-12; *Portals of Prayer*; *Strength for the Day*; *Teen Time*; and *Today's*

*Light*. Catalog available in print and on cassette tape.

Price: Free loan for 30 days

**Theosophical Book Association for the Blind**
54 Krotona Hill
Ojai, CA 93023
(805) 646-2121

*Braille Star Theosophist*, a free magazine; theosophical books; and free press-braille books. Catalog available in braille and print.

Price: Free loan for 60 days

**Unity School of Christianity**
Unity Village, MO 64065
(816) 524-3550
(816) 251-3554 fax

Two free monthly magazines: *Daily Word*, which has daily devotional readings, and *Unity Magazine*, which has stories on the practical application of Christian principles. Braille Ministry Lending Library containing books on a variety of metaphysical and spiritual subjects.

Price: Free loan for 90 days

**The Upper Room**
1908 Grand Avenue
P.O. Box 189
Nashville, TN 37202-0189
(615) 340-7212 for braille subscriptions
(615) 340-7006 fax
75712.2527@Compuserve.com e-mail

A bimonthly of Christian devotions.

Price: Free

**Xavier Society for the Blind**
**National Catholic Lending Library for the Visually Handicapped**
154 East 23rd Street
New York, NY 10010-4595
(212) 473-7800
800-637-9193
(212) 473-7801 fax

Books of a religious nature in such areas as Bible, biography, Christian living, liturgy/sacraments, personal growth, prayer, and spiritual life; *Deaf-Blind News Summary* and *Deaf-Blind Weekly News*.

Price: Free loan of books, free magazines

## III. Specialized Sources

### A. Jumbo Braille

**Beach Cities Braille Guild, Inc.**
P.O. Box 712
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
(714) 536-9666

Price: For individuals who are blind, partially subsidized; for schools and agencies, cost of production only

**Braille Institute Press**
741 North Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90029
(213) 663-1111, ext. 342
800-252-9486

Price: $.40/page plus $1 for each bound volume

**National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped**
**Library of Congress**
Washington, DC 20542
(202) 707-5100
(202) 707-0744 TDD
(202) 707-0712 fax
nls@loc.gov e-mail
http://www.loc.gov/nls website

Ten titles available.

Price: Free loan to eligible readers

**Northern Nevada Braille Transcribers**
1015 Oxford Avenue
Sparks, NV 89431-3037
(702) 358-2456
(702) 353-2181 fax

Price: Free loan, donations appreciated

## B. Print-Braille

**American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults**
18440 Oxnard Street
Tarzana, CA 91356
(818) 343-2022

Produces and distributes Twin Vision (print-braille) books throughout the United States. Lends print-braille and braille books through the Kenneth Jernigan Library for Blind Children.

Price: Free

**Christian Record Services, Inc.**
4444 South 52nd Street, Box 6097
Lincoln, NE 68506
(402) 488-0981
(402) 488-1902 TDD
(402) 488-7582 fax

Price: Free distribution (return if no longer needed)

**National Braille Press, Inc.**
88 St. Stephen Street
Boston, MA 02115
(617) 266-6160
800-548-7323
(617) 437-0456 fax

Children's Braille Book Club featuring a new book every month. Monthly notices in print or braille.

Price: Various

**National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped**
**Library of Congress**
Washington, DC 20542
(202) 707-5100
(202) 707-0744 TDD
(202) 707-0712 fax
nls@loc.gov e-mail
http://www.loc.gov/nls website

More than 200 titles available.

Price: Free loan to eligible readers

**Seedlings Braille Books for Children**
P.O. Box 51924
Livonia, MI 48151-5924
(313) 427-8552 telephone and fax
800-777-8552
seedlink@aol.com e-mail

For children ages 1-8. Catalog available in print.

Price: Various

**Volunteer Braille Services**
3730 Toledo Avenue North, Room 213
Robbinsdale, MN 55422
(612) 521-0372
(612) 588-4912 fax

Print-braille library for loan to Minnesota residents and for sale to others. Catalog available in print and braille.

Price: Various

## IV. Major Braille Presses and Transcription Services

The major braille presses listed below transcribe printed materials into braille for organizations and businesses. Since they are volume producers of braille, they do not accommodate individual requests for transcriptions. Persons who need one copy of a document for individual use should consult two sources for names of agencies and organizations: *Individual Braille Transcription Services* and *Volunteers Who Produce Books* (see section V, Resources for Further Information).

**American Printing House for the Blind, Inc.**
Attention: Phyllis Campana
P.O. Box 6085
Louisville, KY 40206-0085
(502) 895-2405
800-223-1839
(502) 899-2274 fax
info@aph.org e-mail

**Associated Services for the Blind**
Attention: Dolores Ferrara-Godzieba
919 Walnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
(215) 627-0600
(215) 922-0692 fax
dfgodz@asb.org e-mail

**Braille International, Inc.**
Attention: Geoffrey Bull
3290 Southeast Slater Street
Stuart, FL 34997
(407) 286-8366
800-336-3142
(407) 286-8909 fax

**Clovernook Center Opportunities for the Blind**
Attention: John Mitchell
7000 Hamilton Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45231-5297
(513) 522-3860
(513) 728-3950 fax
clovernook@aol.com e-mail

**National Braille Press, Inc.**
Attention: Eileen Curran
88 St. Stephen Street
Boston, MA 02115
(617) 266-6160
800-548-7323
(617) 437-0456 fax

## V. Resources for Further Information

**American Printing House for the Blind, Inc. (APH)**
P.O. Box 6085
Louisville, KY 40206-0085
(502) 895-2405
800-223-1839
(502) 899-2274 fax
info@aph.org e-mail

Publishes *APH Catalog of Accessible Books for People Who are Visually Impaired, 1996-1997*, a combined catalog that lists braille and large-print books, recorded books, regular print materials, TEXT2000 electronic books, and video tapes.

**Braille Revival League**
c/o Ms. Kim Charlson, President
57 Grandview Avenue
Watertown, MA 02172
(617) 926-9198
klcharlson@delphi.com

Fosters the use, production, and instruction of braille. Encourages people who are blind to read and write in braille and advocates for mandatory braille instruction in educational facilities for individuals who are blind. Publishes the newsletter *BRL Memorandum*.

**Naperville Area Transcribing for the Blind**
25 South Washington Street, Suite B
Naperville, IL 60540
(630) 357-9464 telephone and fax

Acts as a central registry service for general-interest materials transcribed into braille. Publishes *General-Interest Registry Catalog of Materials*; $6 print, $2 disk.

**National Association to Promote the Use of Braille (NAPUB)**
Betty Niceley, President
3618 Dayton Avenue
Louisville, KY 40207
(502) 327-6010, ext. 236 work
(502) 897-2632 home

A division of the National Federation of the Blind. Promotes the use of braille and its production and instruction. Encourages the reading and writing of braille and advocates for mandatory braille instruction in educational facilities for individuals who are blind.

**National Braille Association**
Braille Materials Production Center
Three Townline Circle
Rochester, NY 14623-2513
(716) 427-8260
(716) 427-0263 fax

Provides four catalogs that list braille books deposited in the braille book bank collection: *Braille Technical Tables, General Interest, Music,* and *Textbook Catalogs*.

**National Braille Press, Inc.**
88 St. Stephen Street
Boston, MA 02115
(617) 266-6160
800-548-7323
(617) 437-0456 fax

Publishes *Individual Braille Transcription Services*, a directory listing twenty-nine services throughout the country that transcribe documents for individuals from print, computer disk, or modem. Prices range from $.10-$4.50 per braille page, and the turnaround time is from two days to six months, depending on the size of the project.

**National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Library of Congress. Reference Section.**
Washington, DC 20542
(202) 707-5100
(202) 707-0744 TDD
(202) 707-0712 fax
nls@loc.gov e-mail
http://www.loc.gov/nls website

Provides the following free reference circulars and directories:

- *Braille Literacy: Resources for Instruction, Writing Equipment, and Supplies*, 1994
- *Library Resources for the Blind and Physically Handicapped: A Directory with FY 1994 Statistics on Readership, Circulation, Budget, Staff, and Collections*, 1995
- *Magazines in Special Media*, 1995, which lists a variety of braille magazine sources including those from NLS
- *Volunteers Who Produce Books: Braille, Cassette, Large Print*, 1995, a national directory of volunteer groups that produce materials in special formats

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The reference circulars listed below are available free on request from:

Reference Section
National Library Service for the Blind
and Physically Handicapped
Library of Congress
Washington, DC 20542

## Reference Circulars

Assistive Devices for Reading, 1993

Bibles, Other Scriptures, Liturgies, and Hymnals in Special Media, 1993

Blindness and Visual Impairments: Information and Advocacy Organizations, 1996

Braille Literacy: Resources for Instruction, Writing Equipment, and Supplies, 1994

Building a Library Collection on Blindness and Physical Disabilities: Basic Materials and Resources, 1990

Deaf-Blindness: National Organizations and Resources, 1993

Guide to Spoken-Word Recordings: Foreign-Language Instruction and Literature, 1988

Guide to Spoken-Word Recordings: Popular Literature, 1995

Information for Handicapped Travelers, 1987

Learning Disabilities: National Information and Advocacy Organizations, 1990

Parents' Guide to the Development of Preschool Children with Disabilities: Resources and Services, 1992

Physical Disabilities: National Organizations and Resources, 1994

Sources of Audiovisual Materials on Disabilities, 1995

Sources of Braille Reading Materials, 1996

Sports, Outdoor Recreation, and Games for Visually and Physically Impaired Individuals, 1991

## Bibliographies

A series of bibliographies is also published by the Reference Section. The following titles are available free on request:

Accessibility: A Selective Bibliography, 1994

Assistive Technology: A Selective Bibliography, 1992

Disability Awareness and Changing Attitudes, 1991

Library and Information Services to Persons with Disabilities, 1996

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